



Brookwood
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, October 3, 2021

Sunday Morning Worship

Brookwood Baptist Church

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World Communion Sunday

Worship Destination:

The communion-community knows and believes the love that God has for us.

Prelude

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

Handbell Choir

Welcome to Worshippers

Keith McLeod

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Hymn of Praise

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Words and Music by Christian Bateman and Benjamin Carr

Community Prayer

Brian Pitts

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
Forever. Amen.

Instrumental Meditation

Near the Cross

Arr. Joel Rainey

Handbell Choir

Scripture Reading

1 John 4:7-16

NIV

Jim Giffin

⁷ Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. ¹⁰This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

¹³This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. ¹⁵If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. ¹⁶And so we know and rely on the love God has for us.

God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.

One: This is the Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Sermon

COMMUNITY: THE POWER OF TOGETHER

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Believing God's Love

Communion Song

I Am Light, I Am Life, I Am Love

Sanctuary Choir

Words and Music by Mary McDonald

Celebration of The Lord's Supper (Communion)

A Word About Communion at Brookwood:

This is a time for all people to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion (also called The Lord's Supper or The Eucharist, which means 'thanksgiving') is a time to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat bread and drink the cup. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, are at peace with their fellow neighbor, and seek strength and grace to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ. We also ask that children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ refrain from partaking until doing so.

Receiving the Elements

Song

"The Lord Has Provided"

Brian Pitts

Words & Music by Brian Pitts

Prayers for Those Not Communing

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Searching for Truth

Lord, Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen. **Prayer of Believing on Jesus**

Hymn of Response

What Wondrous Love is This

American Folk Hymn

Benediction

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Postlude

Immortal, Invisible

Arr. Phillip Keveren

Anna Williams

The flowers are placed in celebration of our church's 53rd anniversary.

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"Connection Card"



Upcoming Events

- Today is our church's 53rd Anniversary!
- Today is also Pledge Sunday for gifts for calendar year 2022. If you need a pledge card they can be found in the Foyer or on the Welcome Desk. Please place your card in the miniature church replica in the Foyer. Pledge cards can be submitted online, please go to www.brookwood.org/give. Thank you for your continued generous giving.
- Youth Parent Prayer Group today at 6 pm in the Chapel.
- *Our next Connect @ the Park is this Wednesday, October 6th at 5:30 pm.* Come join us at one of the four parks (Overton Park, Liberty Park, McCallum Park-Vestavia, and here at BBC).
- **Join us for a one-day, churchwide retreat at Shocco Springs on Oct 16th!** We'll have lots of time to relax and play games in addition to some small groups over lunch and a closing worship service. We hope this will be a time to relax, connect intergenerationally, and recharge! No cost is involved for those staying just for Saturday. Our youth will spend the night and return Sunday mid-morning, with minimal cost involved. For more information and to register go to brookwood.org/shocco.

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